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CONNECTICUT NATIONAL GUARD FAMILY PROGRAM HOSTS "BREAKFAST WITH THE EASTER BUNNY"

HARTFORD, Conn. - Maj. Gen. Thaddeus J. Martin, Adjutant General and Commander of the Connecticut National Guard, announces the 19th annual "Breakfast with the Easter Bunny," will be held on Saturday, March 26, 2016, at 9:30 a.m. at the William A. O'Neill Armory in Hartford.

The event – open to all members of the Connecticut National Guard and their families – provides children an opportunity to meet the Easter Bunny and participate in other festivities that include an egg hunt and a breakfast.

"Breakfast with the Easter Bunny has always drawn a great crowd and is a big hit with the children of our military members," said Martin. "This event is a way for us to say thank you to the families of our soldiers and airmen, who make great sacrifices on behalf of the Connecticut National Guard."

Since September 11, 2001, the Connecticut National Guard has made the Family Support Program a top priority. The Connecticut National Guard has mobilized and deployed approximately 6,000 Soldiers and Airmen in support of the Global War on Terror.

Currently, 60 members of the Connecticut National Guard are deployed in support of operations around the world.

This event is open to the media beginning at 10 a.m.

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Directions to William A. O'Neill Armory, 360 Broad Street, Hartford, CT 06105:

Going East on I-84: Take the Capitol Ave. Exit 48B. Take a right at the end of the ramp, and your first right on to Armory Street Extension. The Legislative Office Buildings will be on your right.

Going West on I-84: Take the Asylum Street Exit 48. Turn right at the light, then immediately take the left fork, which is Farmington Avenue. Turn left at the next light onto Broad Street. After one light, the State Armory will be on your left, take the next left into the Legislative Office Building driveway and continue left to park alongside the east side of the building (between the State Armory and LOB Garage)

From I-91, Northbound and Southbound: Take the Capitol Area Exit 29A. Follow the Whitehead Highway; go halfway around the rotary onto Elm St., left onto Trinity St., and bear right onto Capitol Ave. Take the first right after the I-84 on/off ramps and continue straight to the State Armory.

Parking: Limited parking is available on the EAST side of the Armory (between the Armory and LOB Parking Garage). Parking for television production vehicles must be coordinated with Capt. Mike Petersen at 860-524-4857 or michael.t.petersen.mil@mail.mil.

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